



Grace Hill Church

The Mission of Grace Hill Is to Gather People to the Table of Christ, Who Is the Bread of Life, to Be Transformed by His Grace, Renewed in His Truth, and Sent on His Mission.

“You are standing today, all of you, before the Lord your God: the heads of your tribes, your elders, and your officers, all the men of Israel, ¹¹ your little ones, your wives, and the sojourner who is in your camp ..., ¹² so that you may enter into the sworn covenant of the Lord your God, which the Lord your God is making with you today, ¹³ that he may establish you today as his people, and that he may be your God, as he promised you, and as he swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob. Dt 29:10–13

And Jesus said to Simon, “Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men.” And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him. ~Luke 5:10-11

So Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. Just as the Father has sent me, I also send you.” ~John 20:21

The twelve are not even to take an extra change of clothes, so to speak, trusting that God will provide not only the extra tunic if one is needed but also daily bread (cf. 11:3). A more pronounced statement against the possibility of having a lively faith “choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life” (8:14) is difficult to imagine. ~Joel B. Green, *The Gospel of Luke*

June 20, 2021

Expressing Our Love and Praise: Worship in Song

Declaring What We Believe: New City Catechism, Question #23

Question: Why must the Redeemer be truly God?

Answer: That because of his divine nature his obedience and suffering would be perfect and effective; and also that he would be able to bear the righteous anger of God against sin and yet overcome death.

Baptism: Polly Catherine Elniff

Welcoming Each Other

Giving Worship to God: Offering

Hearing God’s Word: Scripture Reading *Luke 9.1-11*

And he called the twelve together and gave them power and authority over all demons and to cure diseases, ² and he sent them out to proclaim the kingdom of God and to heal. ³ And he said to them, “Take nothing for your journey, no staff, nor bag, nor bread, nor money; and do not have two tunics. ⁴ And whatever house you enter, stay there, and from there depart. ⁵ And wherever they do not receive you, when you leave that town shake off the dust from your feet as a testimony against them.” ⁶ And they departed and went through the villages, preaching the gospel and healing everywhere.

⁷ Now Herod the tetrarch heard about all that was happening, and he was perplexed, because it was said by some that John had been raised from the dead, ⁸ by some that Elijah had appeared, and by others that one of the prophets of old had risen. ⁹ Herod said, “John I beheaded, but who is this about whom I hear such things?” And he sought to see him.

¹⁰ On their return the apostles told him all that they had done. And he took them and withdrew apart to a town called Bethsaida. ¹¹ When the crowds learned it, they followed him, and he welcomed them and spoke to them of the kingdom of God and cured those who had need of healing.

Understanding God’s Word and Our Lives

Sermon: *Jesus Sends Us*

Outline:

1. We are a “Jesus-Sent-People” Just as We are a “Jesus-Called-People,” v.1-2, 10
2. We are Sent in Jesus’ Defined Mission: to Proclaim and Heal, v. 2, 6, 11
3. We are Sent in Jesus’ Specific Way of Mission: Dependency on Him, v. 3-5

Recognizing our Brokenness: Confession of Sin

Public Prayer

God, we confess a number of things keep us from being “Your-Sent-People:” we lack faith, we fail to hear Your call, we think ourselves incapable. But just as You call us; You speak to us in the Scriptures and by Your Spirit; You are giving us Your power. You will lead if we humbly listen.

Father, You sent Your Son, and now Your Son is sending us. From all eternity, we are not only part of Your Kingdom family but “Jesus-Sent-Ones” for Your Kingdom’s fruitfulness and fullness. Give us ears to hear Your voice calling us into mission. Give us faith to pursue Your ends, in Your ways. Work a growing dependence upon You that trusts in Your more-than-sufficient provision, power, and promise.

Private Reflection

The Grace and Forgiveness of Christ

I have appeared to you for this purpose, to appoint you as a servant and witness to the things in which you have seen me and to those in which I will appear to you, ¹⁷ delivering you from your people and from the Gentiles—to whom I am sending you ¹⁸ to open their eyes, so that they may turn from darkness to light and from the power of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and a place among those who are sanctified by faith in me.’ Acts 26:16–18

Responding to the Lord with Worship

Taking hold of the Good Word: Benediction (“the good word”)

Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen. (Heb. 13.20–21)

Core Questions:

1. **How is the Holy Spirit whispering or shouting to you from this passage? What stands out for you?**
2. **How does the text intersect or engage your life?**
3. **Where do you find gospel conviction and gospel comfort in this passage? (Gospel = the specific act of Jesus taking your sin and sharing with you his victory.)**

Announcements:

- **CORE Zoom Pin: 989209**
- **Renewed Covid Policy. Goal: robust, Christ-centered, gathered worship**
For the sake of our personal health and gospel community at Grace Hill, for all indoor Grace Hill activities, we require the following: (1) masks be worn at all times, (2) temperature checks when entering the building, (3) refraining from hugs or handshakes, and (4) six foot distancing (whenever possible). Maximum indoor numbers are now 35 people. This number is only possible if the four previous precautions are meticulously adhered to. For outdoor activities, we require refraining from hugs or handshakes, and practicing six-foot distancing where possible. Masks are highly recommended for outdoor seated events.
- **Next Outdoor Communion & Baptism:** Thursday, June 24th, 7pm. Join us as we partake of Communion and celebrate the baptism of Peter Merryweather!
- **Worship in Offering:** Three ways to worship the Lord with your tithes and offerings
 1. Use your bank’s BillPay system to give to Grace Hill
 2. Send a physical check
 3. Use our mobile giving option (either as a guest or by setting up an account):
 - <https://faithlife.com/grace-hill-church/give> or text the word “Give” to 919 296 1330.



Grace Hill seeks to live by and testify to the grace and truth of Jesus Christ (John 1.14–18). We are affiliated with the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, a Presbyterian denomination with a rich history of living in Christ’s grace and truth. Our pastor is Ross Durham. He can be reached at ross@gracehillnc.org or by cell phone at 919.593.2169. Our Youth Director is Daniel Havener, daniel@gracehillnc.org. Our Worship Music Director is Kayli Havener, kayli@gracehillnc.org. Our Communications Coordinator is Kayli Havener, kayli@gracehillnc.org. Address: 515 Meadowlands Drive, Suite 500, Hillsborough, North Carolina 27278 www.gracehillnc.org; Facebook: Grace Hill Church; Twitter: @gracehillchurch; Instagram: gracehillnc